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Ms. Dianne Eagleton, Supervisor Records Division North Richland Hills Police Department P.O. Box 820609 North Richland Hills, Texas 76182-0609

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Dear Ms. Eagleton:

You have asked whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 115482.

The City of North Richland Hills (the "city") received two requests for police reports concerning a burglary. You contend that the records are protected from disclosure under section 552.108 of the Government Code.

The records at issue were submitted to this office for review. These records are law enforcement records concerning juveniles and release is governed by section 58.007(c) of the Family Code, which provides in part:

Except as provided by Subsection (d), law enforcement records and files concerning a child may not be disclosed to the public . . . .

Subsection (d), which concerns the transfer of records in certain circumstances, is apparently inapplicable here. Thus, section 58.007(c) makes confidential the requested reports. *See also* Fam. Code § 51.02(2) (defining "child"). The requested records therefore must be withheld from disclosure.

We are resolving this matter with an informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. This ruling is limited to the particular records at issue under the facts presented to us in this request and should not be relied upon as a previous

determination regarding any other records. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,

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Ref.: ID# 115482

Enclosures: Submitted documents

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